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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (currently amended): An interlabial pad for attaching to labia, comprising:

~~an absorber for absorbing body fluid;~~

an absorbing sheet portion for facing to a body side upon wearing the interlabial pad; and a support sheet portion backing the absorbing sheet portion;;

wherein said absorbing sheet portion comprises a pair of absorbing sheet bodies, each of which contains an absorber, said absorbing sheet bodies which are separated along a substantial center line of the interlabial pad, and said absorbing sheet body is bonded to said support sheet portion comprising an impermeable support sheet on a peripheral edge portion of the interlabial pad, thereby the body fluid can flow into a void which is formed between a garment face side of the absorbing sheet body and the body face side of the support sheet.

Claim 2 (original): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein a side end of the interlabial pad has a shape of an arc, and both peripheral ends of the arc converge toward edge ends of the substantial center line along a longitudinal direction of the interlabial pad

Claim 3 (currently amended): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said pair of absorbing sheet bodies are separated from each other, and a groove portion is provided between the absorbing sheet bodies.

Claim 4 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein on a body face side of the support sheet, an strip-shaped absorber is disposed along a dividing line of a pair of absorbing sheet bodies.

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Claim 5 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, further comprising a sheet-shaped absorber being disposed on a body face side of the support sheet, wherein a void is formed between the garment face side of the absorbing sheet body and the body face side of the sheet-shaped absorber whereby body fluid can flow into said void.

Claim 6 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, further comprising

a mini sheet piece, in the garment face side of the support sheet, including:

one or more bonding portions on each side portion in respect of a longitudinal direction of the support sheet; and

one or more disconnecting portion in a lateral direction of the support sheet, wherein at least one of said one or more disconnecting portion form an opening for receiving a finger between the mini sheet piece and the support sheet so as to directly keep the opening having a finger breadth in a surface direction of the support sheet.

Claim 7 (original): An interlabial pad according to claim 6, wherein at least a pair of absorbing sheet bodies include:

an inclining portion having a mountain shape in a body side direction, the mountain shape having a vertex in the substantial center line along the longitudinal direction of the interlabial pad and a pair of side ends; and

a hem portion continuing from both of the side ends of said inclining portion, wherein the mini sheet piece is bonded on the garment side of said hem portion.

Claim 8 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein the interlabial pad is used together with a sanitary napkin.

Claim 9 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said interlabial pad is a pad for incontinence of urine.

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Claim 10 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 1, wherein said interlabial pad is a pad for absorbing vaginal discharge.

Claim 11 (previously presented): A wrapping body comprising:
the interlabial pad according to claim 1; and
a wrapping container for wrapping the interlabial pad individually.

Claim 12 (original): A wrapping body comprising:
the interlabial pad according to claim 6; and
a wrapping container for wrapping the interlabial pad individually, said wrapping container having an unwrapped opening,

wherein said interlabial pad is so contained in said wrapping container that said finger insertion opening faces and opens toward the unwrapped opening of the wrapping container.

Claim 13 (original): A wrapping body according to claim 12 wherein the interlabial pad is contained in the wrapping container such that the mini sheet piece is mountain-folded toward garment side directions along the substantial center line in the longitudinal direction of the interlabial pad.

Claim 14 (currently amended): An interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said pair of absorbing sheet bodies are separated from each other, and a groove portion is provided between the absorbing sheet bodies.

Claim 15 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein on a body face side of the support sheet, an strip-shaped absorber is disposed along a dividing line of a pair of absorbing sheet bodies.

Claim 16 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 2, further comprising a sheet-shaped absorber being disposed on a body face side of the support sheet, wherein a void is formed between the garment face side of the absorbing sheet body and the body face side of the sheet-shaped absorber whereby body fluid can flow into said void.

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Claim 17 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 2, further comprising

a mini sheet piece, in the garment face side of the support sheet, including:
one or more bonding portions on each side portion in respect of a longitudinal direction of the support sheet; and
one or more disconnecting portion in a lateral direction of the support sheet,
wherein at least one of said one or more disconnecting portion form an opening for receiving a finger between the mini sheet piece and the support sheet so as to directly keep the opening having a finger breadth in a surface direction of the support sheet.

Claim 18 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein the interlabial pad is used together with a sanitary napkin.

Claim 19 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said interlabial pad is a pad for incontinence of urine.

Claim 20 (previously presented): An interlabial pad according to claim 2, wherein said interlabial pad is a pad for absorbing vaginal discharge.

Claim 21 (previously presented): A wrapping body comprising:
the interlabial pad according to claim 2; and
a wrapping container for wrapping the interlabial pad individually.

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